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WASHINGTON, Aug. 17 (R). — Federal Judge Frank Johnson of Alabama, whose tough rulings belped blacks during the civil rights turmoil of the 1960s, has been chosed by President Carter as chief of the scandal ridden Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI), government officials said. His selection will be announced later today, capping a six-month search for a replacement for retiring FBI Director Clarence Kelley, they added. The infficials said Judge Johnson was chosen after President Carter said Judge Johnson was chosen after President Carter turned down all five names submitted by a special selection board he created six months ago.

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Tito supports free line for Eurocommunism during Moscow talks

MOSCOW, Aug. 17 (R). — President Tito of Yugoslavia today held a first round of talks with Soviet leader Leonid Bre-zimev after publicly defending the right of individual Communist parties to steer their own

The two leaders, meeting for the first time since Mr. Brezhnev visited Belgrade last No-vember, discussed Soviet-Yugoslav cooperation and a num-ber of international problems in a warm and friendly atmosphere, Tass news agency reported.

They also brought up the question of inter-party relations and the world Communist movement. This subject of longstanding dispute between Mo-scow and Belgrade has been intensified by recent Soviet attacks on "Eurocommunism" -the independent line taken by western European parties.

Speaking at a Kremlin banquet last night, the two leaders placed different, emphasis on the importance of mutual independence and non-interference in each other's internal

"It is inceasingly confirmed that the principles of independence and equality of revolu-tionary movements and their responsibility to their own wotking classes and people, principles of independence and non-interference in internal affairs, are the long-term basis for relations between all Communist and workers' parties,"

he said. Mr. Brezhnev told the 85-year-old Yugoslav leader that the Soviet Union respected his country's independence. But he said that world Communist parties should also be striving

for solidarity. For the Yugoslavs, Moscow's attacks on the liberal Eurocommunism doctrines of some western parties have evoked memories of Josef Stalin's attempts to dictate to President Tito

Yugoslav sources said Pre-

inter-party relations during his two-hour talks with Mr. Brezh-

As well as bilateral issues, they reviewed the follow-up to the European security conference, the conflict in the Horn of Africa and latest developments in the Middle East,



ding members of Russia's Communist Party Polithuro, headed COMMUNIST GATHERING -- Lead by Soviet leader Leonid Brezhnev (3rd from left) gather for a hanquet Tuesday with Yugoslavia's Marshal Tito (2nd from left).

Guns keep firing as Lebanese plan to move regular army troops to the south

BEIRUT, Aug. 17 (R). — Rightist forces exchanged artillery fire with the Palestinian-leftist alliance in south Lebanon today as the government pressed on with efforts to implement a peace plan there.

Travellers arriving in Sidon, south Lebanon, said the exchange was mainly in the eastern sector, including rightist-held Marjeyoun and leftist-beld

Sbells fell on the outskirts of the market town of Nabatiyeh, they said.

They reported no casualties but said the shelling had da-maged houses.

Overnight seven people were wcunded in Nabatiyeh and 100 houses damaged when the leftist-controlled town was shel-

Israeli aircraft today made repeated flights over the border villages and Sidon.

Plans are under way to send regular troops of a rebuilt Lebanese army to implement a peace agreement in the south, deputy Prime Minister Fuad Butros said here today.

There is no obstacle to applying the Chtoura agreement, concluded last month between

sident Tito repeated his views high-ranking Syrian, Lebanese Egypt "suspends" some debts to Soviet Union

CAIRO, Aug. 17 (R). — Egypt is to consider certain debts to the Soviet Union suspended for the time being, according to Deputy Premier for Economic Affairs Abdel Moneim Kais-

Interviewed in connection with a review of Egypt's economic situation in today's semi-official newspaper Al Ahram Dr. Kaissouni said : "There are commitments to the Soviet Union which are considered suspended for the time being." Egyptian military and civilian debts to Moscow were

reported by the government to total about \$3.2 billion. President Anwar Sadat said last week Egypt had decided to suspend cotton exports to the Soviet Union and another Soviet bloc country, which newspaper reports here said ras Czechoslovakia.

Mr. Sadat said the east bloc country had stopped shipments of tanks as a result of "incitements" from the Soviet UniEgypt had paid for the tan-ks in hard currency, but less than one-quarter of the deal had been delivered after a year's delay, he said.

Shortly after a three-day visit tn Moscow by Egyptian Fo-reign Minister Ismail Fahmi in early June, Mr. Sadat said in a speech here: "The hell with Soviet weapons, I reject any strings attached ... nobody can impose his will upon us. An Egyptian Information Ministry spokesman said after

the visit that no progress had been made on improving bilateral relations. In 1972 President Sadat nrdered Soviet military advisers out of the country and last year

abrogated a friendship pact with the Soviet Union. Dr. Kaissouni did not say which commitments to the Soviet Union would be considered suspended.

He said Egypt hoped to end its budget deficit in 1978, or at least reduce it.

and Palestinian representatives, Mr. Butros said.

Under the agreement, the troops are to be deployed after the Israeli-backed right-wing combatants and their leftwing and Palestinian opponents with-draw tn specified points.

AMMAN (JNA). — His Ma-jesty King Hussein received a message from United States President Jimmy Carter concerning peace negotiations on the Middle East crisis. The message also reviewed Secretary of State Cyrus Vance's mission in the region and its results. His Majesty Wednesday sent a reply to President

"The despatch of regular fnrce to the south is part of plan that is now being worked out," Mr. Butros, who is also Minister of Defence and Foreign Affairs, told reporters after a

five-hour regular cabinet meet-Fighting has continued in the south, despite having stopped in other parts of the country, where a mainly-Syrian Arah peace force has separated the combatants. The force did not

se of Israeli objections. Mr. Butros briefed todays cabinet sessinn on a message from United States Secretary of State Cyrus Vance about his recent Middle Eastern tour, but did not disclose the contents

go deep into the south hecau-

tn reporters. Mr. Camille Chamoun, head of the right-wing National Liberal Party in a statement puhlished here today, denied a report in the American magazine Time that he and right-wing Phalangist leader Pierre Gemayel had a meeting with Israell officials. 'The report is unfounded,"

he said. The Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine said two of its men were killed on stepping into a mine-field after an operatinn near rightist-beld Qlei'a in south Lebanon.

A PFLP statement said a unit including the two men attacked a rightist post at Deir Mi-mas, near Qlei'a, and ran into the mine-field on withdrawing. Rightist losses in the attack

could, nnt be determined the statement said.

Israeli paper says

Carter calls for Israeli restraint in S. Lebanon

TEL AVIV, Aug. 17 (R). — President Jimmy Carter has called on Israel to act with restraint to prevent a military deterioration in war-torn southern Lebanon, an Israeli newspaper reported here today.

The afternoon daily Yediot Ahronot sald President Carter's call was made in a personal message tn Prime Minister Begin delivered yesterday by U.S. Ambassador here, Mr. Lewis.

The newspaper said a simllar appeal was made to Syrian President Hafez Assad, whose troops make up the Arah peacekeeping force in Lebanon.

Israeli nfficials refused immediate comment on the re-Yediot Ahronot sald the si-tuation in southern Lebanon

was the main item on the agends in the Premier's meeting with Mr. Lewis. Defence Minister Ezer Weizman and the Director-General of the Foreign Ministry Eph-

raim Evron also took part. Premier Begin disclosed last week that Israeli gunners actively supported the Phalangist forces by hammering the Palestinian positions across the

frontier. In Kuwait a newspaper said today the U.S. secretary of state has suggested in a message to Palestine commando leader Yasser Arafat that the U.S. would support the establishment of a Palestinian state on

the West Bank and Gaza Strip. The newspaper Al Seyassa, quoting authoritative sources in Beirut, sald Mr. Vance's message had been conveyed through Egyptian Foreign Minister

Ismail Fahmi,
It urged the Palestinians to accept U.N. Security Council Resolution 242, which lays down the guldelines and basic principles for any Middle East peace settlement, and suggested the U.S. would support the establishment of a Palestinian

state, the newspaper said.

Mr. Vance proposed that the
new state would either be linked directly to Jordan and governed by a mayor, or linked militarily to Israel but administratively tn Jnrdan, and ruled by a Jordanian military go-

The newspaper said Mr. Vance had also proposed that either arrangement would last for a 10-year transitional period under United Nations supervision, after which the Pa-lestinians would be allowed to decide their own future.

settlements in Arah territory on the West Bank. The decision announced by Cabinet Secretary Arye Nanr seemed certain to rouse a new storm of protest abroad against the policies of the rightwing Israeli government.

JERUSALEM, Aug. 17 (R). — The Israeli government stirred

fresh controversy today by

authorising three new Jewish

Only last month, the United States strongly criticised Prime Minister Menachem Begin's move tn grant nfficial recognition to three other Jewish settlements on the West Bank,

That decision was denounced by the Arab World as a provocation at a time when the United States was seeking to bring the Israelis and the Arabs together for peace talks.

But Mr. Naor said this decision to set up the three latest settlements was taken by tha previous Labour government which lost power in last May's general elections.

Mr. Naor said today's announcement was merely the implementation of the previous government's decision.

The three new settlements are to be sited at Yatir, south of Hebron, Zur Natan, near Israel's pre-1967 border with Jnrdan and Mevu Horot, close to Jerusalem.

All three places are in militarily important areas around the West Bank.

Since 1967, it has been Is-

New banks will help Jordan tap private surplus funds, says Central Bank governor

By John Bonar Special to the Jordan Times

AMMAN (J.T.). - The first of three new commercial banks recently licenced by the Cen-tral Bank opened in Amman Wednesday. The Jordan Kuwait Bank with 60% Jordanian sha-reholding and 40% Kuwait shareholding and the other two banks which are also joint ventures between Jordanian and Gulf interests are seen by Central Bank Governor Dr. Said Nahulsi as "a new experiment

in Arab cooperation. Dr. Nabulsi told the Jordan Times Wednesday that through these new hanks it is hoped Jordan "can tap private sur-plus funds in the oil producing countries".

The Central Bank expects the new commercial hanks to direct these funds tn "be of use and service" to the Jurdanian economy in conjunction with Jordanian funds.

All three banks have been formed with e minimum capital of JD 5 million at the insistance of the Central Bank. Mr. Sufian Ibrahim, Managing Director of the Jnrdan Kuwait Bank told the Jordan Times that the five million JD 1 shares of the bank were oversub-scribed 25 times hy would-be shareholders. Many were disappointed and others received only e tenth of the shares they

applied for. The bank's principal share holder is the founder and Cha-irman of the board, Sheikh Nasser al Sabah of Kuwait, with 1,250,000 shares (25%). Another 15% of the shares are held by the Kuwaiti public and 60% by the Jnrdanian public. Altogether the bank has around 30,000 shareholders according to tha Manager, Mr. Affif al

Sheikh Nasser the son Kuwait's foreign minister is the Chairman of Gulf International and a major shareholder in the UK company, Lonhro. He resigned his position on the Lonhro board earlier this year because of pressure of commitments in the Middle East. Already the bank has applied to the Central Bank for authorisation to increase its capital to JD 10 million Mr. Al Hassan

This will make it the bank with the second largest capital in Jurdan after the Arab Bank. doyen of Middle East banking which only this year doubled its capital from JD 5.5 million tn JD 11 million.

Commenting on the results the first day of operation nf the Jordan Kuwait Bank Mr. Al Hassan said the results in terms of accounts opened and deposits were "very, very encouraging."

Dr. Nabulsi revealed that the Central Bank was currently considering a number of applications from other financial institutions in open in Jordan. Hnw-ever the Central Bank governor tald the Jordan Times that he favoured licencing these institutions as investment banks, nr merchant banking type npe-rations, catering for medium

and long term financing.

Applications under consideration are understood in include the National Bank of Abu Dhabi, a jnint Jordanian-Qatari venture and a Saudi financial institution. The National Bank of Ahu Dhabi, the largest com-mercial bank in tha United Arab Emirates is currently advertising in financial publications that its Amman hranch is

"under formation". Dr. Nabulsi sees all the new institutions in the cnuntry as assisting the Amman Stock Exchange which is due to start operations on the 1st. of January 1978. "We are encouraging these new institutions to develoo local dealing in financial paper," the Governor sa-'The high capital we insisted upon is to enable these new institutions to facilitate

this operation. Dr. Nabulsi said he would "nnt be surprised" to see the expansion of the Jurdanian banking system leading to the development of "international

banking transactions" including spot and forward fnreign exchange dealings.

He pointed out that present exchange regulations were "not conducive" to such operations, althnugh Jordan has an almost free foreign exchange situation similar to European countries with a favourable exchange and reserve position.

However, the governor said the Central Bank "might be re-sponsive" to such a situation "if it develops".

So far no international cur-rency dealers have asked to be licenced. Jnrdan has a bureau d'exchange market which operates without the supervision of the Central Bank hut it is not believed these private companies are speculatively trading in currencies nor are they active in the spot and forward

Dr. Nabulsi said that in the first stage of the development of the Amman Stock Exchange dealings would be restricted to Jordanian stocks, shares and bonds. The question of trading in other Arah paper is being considered and cooperation with other Arab stock exchanges is under study, Dr. Nabu-

He indicated that future decision to deal in Arah paper would depend on Jnrdan's balance of payments and foreign reserves position. He indicated there was no intention to allow dealing in non Arab paper which means that dealing in shares in European, American and other companies will not take placa on the Amman Ex-

Dr. Nabulsi said nn applications from international stock hrokers have been received for membership of the Amman exchange and "so long as dealing is restricted to Jnrdanian paper, there is no point in allowing non-Jordanian member institutions on the exchange".

The Central Bank will fin-

ance the Stock Exchange "until such time as it can finance ltself." Dr. Nabulsi said.

raeli policy to set up such Je-wish nutposts along the Jnr-

One line of Israeli policy has been that these outposts should remain to guarantee Israel's security if at any time Israeli forces were pulled out from the major part of the West Bank.

dan Valley and in similar str-

ategic areas, most of them lar-gely devoid of Arah inhahita-

But Mr. Begin's recognition of the first three settlements last month was denounced .by Washington as an obstacle to

This latest action came in the teeth of a controversy still raging over the Israeli government move to improve public services in the captured Arab territories. This was widely denounced as a form of creeping annexation.

Taken together, the moves to increase West Bank services and set up new Jewish outposts were viewed by some diplomatic sources as part of a campaign to keep up Israell pressure for peace talks.

Diplomatic sources suggested that Israeli policy might be to keep the situation slightly on boil to prevent the problem being put back on the shelf indefinitely.

In Washington the United States announced today it was protesting to the Israeli government about its decision to establish new Jewisb settle-ments in the occupied West

The U.S. bas consistently maintained that new settlements in the occupied areas are obstacles to peace in the Mid-

The U.S. Ambassadnr tn Israel, Samuel Lewis, will express American objections to the establishment of new Jew-isb settlements in the West Bank to the Israeli government today, the State Department announced.

Yesterday, Mr. Lewis delivered a note from President Carter to Israeli Prime Minister Begin in Jerusalem which was also believed to concern Israeli actinns in the occupied

A State Department spokesman declined to comment on the contents of the letter nr to spell out what Mr. Lewis will say when be meets Israeli officials today.

But the spokesman said: "He will clearly restate nur position on the subject."

An official in the Prime Minister's nffice said yes-

Mideast conflict

cordial and friendly." Israeli political commentators said it prohably dealt with the Israeli cabinet decision to expand public services for the

Arabs in the occupied areas.

State Department spokes-man Hodding Carter indicated that the United States had not heen given any advance notice of today's decisinn on the settlements.

President Carter told reporters that during his talks in Washington last month with the Israeli leader they had discussed the issue of settlements in occupied areas, but not the question of their legalisation.

The State Department spokesman said they had not received a full report from Ambassador Lewis's meeting yes-

terday. He added that the United States was seeking to determine a number of matters concerning the settlements, such as a report that the decision to establish them had been made by the previous Israeli

government. Palestinians angered

In Beirut officials of the Palestinian movement today reacted angrily to Israel's decision to establish three new Jewish settlements nn the occupied West Bank.

They said it was further evidence of plans for the territnry's nutright annexation.

There was no immediate official comment from the Palestine Liberatinn Organisation but seninr nfficials said the move underlined what they called Israel's-policy of expansion and its opposition to peace efforts in the Middle East.

The PLO had already vowed to step up military nperations in Israel in response to last Sunday's decision to extend Israeli government servi-ces to Palestinian inhabitants of the West Bank and the Gaza Strip. The scheme was de-nnunced in the Arab World and by the Israeli opposition as creeping annexation.

Officials said the latest Israeli move was further proof that the United States -- involved in efforts to settle the Middle East conflict -- could not exert the slightest pressure on Mr. Begin's hard line government.

Commandn, sources said yesterday that a bomh which ripped through a bus travelling from north Israel tn Tel Aviv marked the beginning of an intensified campaign Israeli "annexation"

Israel refuses to sit with PLO at U.S. anti-apartheid meet

UNITED NATIONS, Aug. 17 (R). — Israel announced today it was withdrawing from a U.N. conference against apartheid in Lavos next week because the World Jewisb Congress (WJC) had been barred while the Palestine Liberation Orga-nisation and U.N. committee on Palestinian rights had been

In a letter to Secretary-General Kurt Waldheim, Israeli U.N. Representative Chaim Herzog said the decisinn to preclude the W.J.C. was not only "an insult to the Jewish people as a whole, but... also a blatant act of discrimination in flagrant violation of the spirit of the Lagos conference itself.".

He described the W.J.C. as leading Jewish organisation which had consultative status with the U.N. Economic and

Social Council and other U.N. bodies and was committed to work for buman rights gene-

When its application to attend the world conference for action against apartheid was turned down, it was not advised of the selection process or of the criteria applied in granting some requests and rejecting others, Ambassador Herzog

He said the withdrawal decision was taken with reluctance because of his country's strong opposition to all forms of ra-

cism, including apartheid. He also said Nigeria, the bost government for the five-day conference which Secretary-General Waldheim is due to open next Monday, had been most cooperative in providing all facilities needed for Israel's participation.



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Mr. Begin's charity

The Israeli cabinet's decision to permit the establishment of three new Jewish settlements on the West Bank comes close on the heels of the decision to extend Israeli public services to the area, an act described by Israel's own Labour Party as creeping annexation. The three new settlements should dispell any remaining doubt.

The extension of public services will invariably bring in its train the extension of Israeli law to the West Bank and Gaza Strip. Since the Israeli government does not have the funds to push such a project through, we can only conclude that the West Bank will not derive the promised benefits in full but will eventually lose everything to Israel. Mr. Begin refused to allow Nablus to build three electric generators, to be financed by Arab funds, which would have made the municipality independent of Israeli services. Instead he insisted that Nablus be hooked up with the Israeli national grid. His suggestion now that Arab donors might foot the bill for Israeli public services for the West Bank and Gaza, making the areas dependent on Israel, is nothing short of farcical.

One wonders why Mr. Begin has developed this consuming humanitarian interest in the welfare of the population of the occupied areas while he is blind to the problems of the Arabs actually living in Israel. To quote Mr. Tawfiq Zaiyad, the Arab mayor of Nazareth: "The situation of public services in Arab towns and villages (in Israel) is a tragic one: there is not one Arab village that has a sewage system, except for Nazareth which has a partial one. Not one Arab village has a network of paved roads and streets. In the best of situations, the Arab village will be connected by a single road with the main street or highway. The majority of Arab villages lack electricity, telephone communications, bealth centres etc." Perhaps the prime minister of Israel has never heard the expression charity begins at home.

No doubt the Jewisb settlements plan is also intended for the welfare of the population of the West Bank. If they fall prey to the same fate as the Arabs in Israel, their lot will be a fortunate one indeed. The average area belonging to Arab villages swallowed up by the state of Israel has gone down from 16,500 dunums per village in 1948 to 5,000 dunums in 1974, a fall from 16 dunums per capita to less than one dunum per capita in 1974. In the process, Israel has thoroughly shattered the agricultural economy of the Arab village. Of 585 villages taken over by Israel in 1948, 478 have been bulldozed off the face of the land, their inhabitants now regarded as absentees. According to official Israeli statistics, a total of 6.5 million dunums have been confiscated from Palestinian Arabs, which is one third of the total area within Israel's pre-1967 borders.

If Israel treats the Arabs in the occupied territories in the same humanitarian fashion it has treated the hapless Arabs within Its borders, if Mr. Begin has his way, one day the West Bank and Gaza Arabs will be pushed off their lands to make room for the children of Israel. One day the Arabs will be living in makeshift settlements and the Israelis will have taken over the cities.

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AI, RAT thought, Wednesday, that the most effective answer to the Israeli move on the status of the West Bank and the Gaza Strip can only be a military answer. No mat-ter what the people in these two areas are able to do to confront it, the Israeli action will still require a far-reaching Arab response, supported by the total of Arab potential to thwart it. This Israeli move is clearly a challenge to the peace effort and any adequate reaction must, by the nature of things, spark off the hostilities which Jordan has warned Israel is preparing for.

AL SHA'B called on the Arabs to admit that their negligence in preparing a serious national strategy for regaining the occupied territories is directly responsible for Israel's latest challenge in the West Bank and the Gaza Strip. Hence, an Arab summit meeting

should be quickly convened for the sole purpose of drawing up a complete strategy for an Arab action, on both the local and international levels, to confront this challenge.

AL AKHBAR said that it is

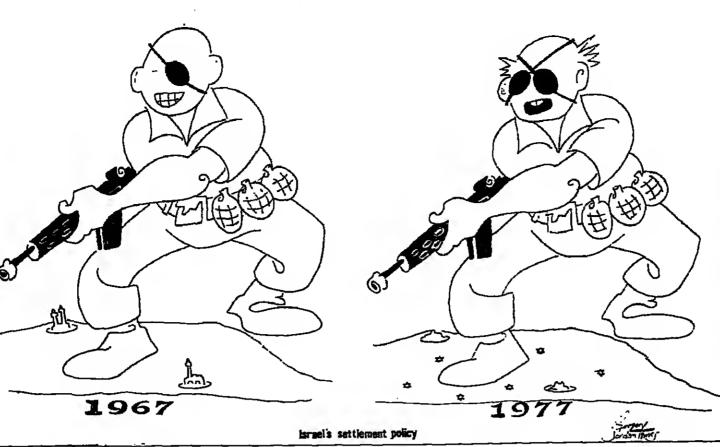
about time the Arabs learned to rely on themselves to solve the Middle East conflict. We cannot expect American "tourists" to resolve history's most complicated problem. We used to be told, after the 1967 Israeli occupation, that if we ever manage to teach ourselves to "await our turn in a queue" we will be able to defeat Israei, for unless we train ourselves to be organised we cannot shoulder the responsibility of organising an effective battle. Even if American intentions are good, shouldn't our own intentions and actions be good enough to work for what we want rather than expect someone to hand us back the

occupied territories as a gift?

WHAT'S GOING ON

Thursday and Friday Aug. 18/19: The Friends of Archaeology are organising a guided tour of Jarash with an overnight camp stay. You will be shown around Friday morning by Dr. Assem Barghouthi, who teaches archaeology at the University of Jordan and has excavated at Jarash recently. Meet at the amphitheatre

at 9 a.m. for the tour. Those wishing to camp meet in front of the Department of Antiquities, Zahran Street, on Thursday at 5 p.m. with camping gear. Camping site will be near the amphitheatre unless a better one is found. Bring picnics and guitars!



Revived Saudi interest in Hijaz railway bodes well for Jordan as transit centre

By Rami G. Khouri Special to the Jordan Times

AMMAN -The revived Saudi Arabian interest in rebuilding the historic Hijaz railway from Damascus to Medina may result in new contracts worth up to \$1 billion, and could turn Jordan into a major international transit trade

Syria and Jordan have already issued calls for international consultants to study the feasibility of laying a new standard-gauge rail line between Damascus and Amman.

The Syrians are also moving ahead to lay a standard-gauge line between Damascus and Homs, north of Damascus in central Syria, for a distance of 125 kms. Syria and Jordan are now jointly investigating the economic feasibility of extending this standard-gauge line to Amman, a distance of 225 kms.

the Homs-Damascus With segment completed, this would provide a direct rail link from Western Europe to Amman, and would transform Amman into a major transit facility for goods now shipped from Europe to the Gulf states.

Goods could be shipped by non-stop train from Europe, and in Amman they would be loaded onto trucks for the twoday road trip to Saudi Arabia, Kuwait and the lower Gulf

Now the Saudi Arabians are seriously interested in rebuilding the entire Hijaz railway with standard-gauge track from Damascus to Medina, in the western Hijaz region of

Saudi Arabia.

A meeting will take place in Amman later this summer between the Syrian and Jordanian transport ministers and the Saudi Arabian communications minister to discuss the idea in detail. That meeting will probably result in a call for international consultants to study the feasibility of the

Financing problem

According to Mr. Hashem Taher, Under-Secretary of the Transport Ministry, the Saudis are quite serious about the project, but one of the main points that will be discussed this year is financing.

Mr. Taher estimates that the Damascus-Amman segment would cost at least JD 50 million, and the entire Damascus-Medina scheme would cost over JD 300 million, or nearly

He told the Jordan Times in en interview here this week that one of the subjects that will be discussed initially is whether each country would be responsible for the segment of track inside its territory -and for that seement's financ--- or whether the job

would be viewed as one project financed by one central organisation.

The expectation is that initial financing would depend heavily on Saudi loans and grants.

Mr. Taher estimates the full project would require 6-7 years to be completed, and once completed it would easily accommodate 1,000-ton trains.
On the eastbound journey,

the trains would carry capital and consumer goods that are in heavy demand in the Middle East, but the economic feasibility of the project would depend in part on having the trains carry something on their westbound journey back to Europe.

One suggestion, Mr. Taher says, is that refrigerated cars could carry fresh fruits and vegetables back to Europe, especially when production in the Jordan Valley hits its peak in the early 1980's.

Six-year history

For all its dramatic history, the Hijaz railway was only in full use for a brief six-year-period, from 1908 to 1914 and the outhreak of World War

It was built under the Turkish Sultan Abdul Hamid bet-September 1900 and September 1908, and covered a full distance from Damascus to Medina of 1,302 kms.

The man credited with the idea for the railway was the Syrian Second Secretary to the Sultan, Izzat Pasha Al Ahed, and the financing for the project came from contributions people all over the Isla-

While the railway was ostensibly built to allow easier passage to Mecca and Medina for Moslem pilgrims, it was also of strategic importance to allow the Sultan to maintain control over the Hijaz. The railway offered a fast passage to the Hijaz without having to pass through the Suez Canal.

Initial surveying for the ro-ute was done in May 1900, by the Turkish engineer Hadschtar Machtar Bey, who travelled by camel along the established caravan routes. Thus the Hijaz railway, when it was built, essentially duplicated the traditional caravan routes that connected the Hijaz and southern Arabia with the Fertile Crescent, Sinai and the

Mediterranean.
About 5,650 Turkish soldiers and officers were put to work building the railway under the technical supervision of a German engineer named Meiss-ner. Work started in September 1900.

By September 1908, the railway was completed to Medina, and equipment was stockpiled there to complete the line to Mecca and then down

ecus and Amman

ndard-gauge railway linking Medina with Europe.

to the Red Sea at Jeddah. The extension to Mecca and

Jeddah was approved by the Sherif Hussein of Mecca. But it was never built, as rising political turmoil in Turkey and the hostility of some be-dou Arabs (who lost business and income as their camel caravan operations became outmoded) stopped work on the railway in September 1908. Normal operations along the

full route of the railway took place from 1908 to 1914, when three weekly trains ran in each direction. The Damascusto-Medina trip took 21.3 days. By fast camel caravan, the same trip took 40-50 days.

When the Arab Revolt against the Turks was started in the summer of 1916, one of the tactics employed by the Arabs under the leadership of Sherif Hussein was to attack the railway and thereby disrupt the Turkish troop move-

ments and resupply efforts. While the Turks would re-pair the railway after most attacks, they gave this up in April 1917 after a series of attacks around Ma'an, in southern Jordan. A total of some 90 kms. of the railway bed were damaged during the war, and the Ma'an to Medina portion of the railway was effectively put out of use by

The Damascus-Ma'an portion of the line was maintained in use and has been repaired and strengthened intermittently since those early days. It is still in use today.

Plans emerge

In southern Jordan, a new narrow-gauge line has been laid from Ma'an to Aqaba, and this is used primarily to move phosphate rock from the mines at Al Hassa. in central Jordan, to Agaba for export by ship. Plans to rebuild the entire

Damascus-Medina railway were mooted in 1935 and again in 1938, but French opposition to the plan brought it to a speedy end. Interest was next revived in

June 1955, when Syria, Jordan and Saudi Arabia invited international consultants to bid for a study of the damaged portions of the railway and the feasibility of rebuilding it with the original narrow-gauge tra-

A contract was awarded in August 1956 to the American company IREX (International Resources Engineering and Exploration Group), and the study was completed the next

It was not until 1964 that the German consultants Kurt Becker were hired to design the rebuilding of the 842-kms. Ma'an-Medina line, and the British contractors Martin Cowley hired to do the actual

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reconstruction of the railway.

They completed work on formations and bridges all the way to Medina, and laid new track from Ma'an to a point just across the Saudi Arabian border, or a distance of 150

At this point, in 1970, the Saudi Arabian government de-cided to reconsider the project, and asked that work be stopped so that a feasibility study could be carried out. In effect, the rebuilding project was killed, and it has remained dormant ever since. Now the revived Saudi in-

terest in the railway has gotten things moving once again, though with a much more ambitious plan to build an entirely new railway with standard-gauge track.

The original track was a unique 105-cm-wide variety only found on this line, and probably so for security rea-

The new standard-gauge track would be 143.5 cms wide, the same as that in use througbout Europe.

Hashem Dabbas, said the new law has taken many economic factors into consideration. It will control the size of economic projects so that national capital is not spent in an un-productive manner. It also encourages small projects to merge into larger ones to remain

Investment

underway

DAMASCUS, Aug. 17 (JNA).

- A meeting of a joint Jord-

anian-Syrian committee looking

into the unification of laws to

encourage investment started

here Wednesday. Participants

will conduct a study on a dra-

The head of the Jordanian team, Ministry of Industry and

Commerce Under-Secretary Dr.

ft project of the law.

Dr. Dabbas added that the

RESTAURANTS CAN STAY OPEN **DURING RAMADAN**

AMMAN (JNA). — The instructions issued Tuesday by the governor of Amman on the necessity for all people to respect the month of Ramadan does not oblige restaurants and other places offering food to

close their doors.

The instructions asked restaurant owners to take the necessary measures to respect the feelings of those who fast, the Governor of Amman, Mr. Ali Basheer, said Wednesday.

clarification came after Mr. Basheer Tuesday requested all restaurants to close their doors during Ramadan.

Extra meat to be flown in

The Ministry of Supply will import four plane loads of newly slaughtered Bulgarian and Hungarian meat during Ramadan, instead of the normal three loads, Acting Minister of Sup-ply Dr. Najmeddine Dajani sta-ted Wednesday.

The minister said he has

given permission for the daily slaughtering of local sheep during the whole of Ramadan to provide sufficient meat for the habitants.

The first consignment newly-slaughtered British meat, ordered by the Ministry of Supply, will arrive here next week.

committee has used in both the Syrian and Jordan. ian laws, and abided by the international agreement on the encouragement of investment signed by both countries.
He said that joint Jordan

ian-Syrian projects will enjoy all facilities and comprehensive investment guarantees mentioned in the new law.

The new law, Dr. Dabbas added, will unity incentives in both countries to attract local. Arab and foreign capital.

Cabinet approves JD 2m Ioan

AMMAN (JNA). - The Cabindecided to grant the Jordan Fertiliser Industry Company 2 JD 2 million loan to boost the government's participation in the company's capital.

The Cabinet also approved the allocation of JD 1,000 a year as a contribution from the Jordanian Government to support the Arab Centre for Information, Development and Reconstruction, which is based

It also granted a JD 7,680 loan to the Ministry of Tourism and Antiquities for the construction of an overpass for pedestrians near Ma'in hot springs, and another JD 4,000 to complete work at Ghor Haditha national park in the Jordan Valley,

The Director of Preventive Medicine, Dr. Suleiman Subeihi, and the Director of the Maiaria Section at the Ministry of Health, Dr. Mohammad Rida Tawfig. will attend a World Health Organisation meeting to be held in Istanbul Sept. 20-22 to discuss ways of combatting malaria in the Mediterranean basin, the Cabinet de-



His Majesty King Hussein Wednesday receives a silver vase bearing the jubilee emblem as a present from Bishops Saba Youkim, Ni'meh Al Sim'an and Theodoros of the Greek Catholic, Latin and Greek Orthodox churches, who offered their congratulations on the occasion of the King's silver jubilec.

Woodlands committee established

AMMAN (JNA). - The Higher Committee for the Green Jubilee project Wednesday decided to form a Central Committee under the chairmanship of Minister of Municipal and Rural Affairs Ibrahim Ayyoub.

The Central Committee had proposed certain regions where woods and forests can be planted. The areas will be stateowned as there are no provisions in the project for expropriation and compensation.

Mr. Ayyoub asked all pertinent authorities in the various governorates and districts to draw up a comprehensive plan for the project, including locations, ways to protect new woods and participants in the pro-

He also asked all administrative governors to set up follow-up committees.

Economists to discuss integration in October Jordanian Economists Associa

AMMAN (JNA). — The Jordanian and Syrian Economists Associations have agreed to hold a joint seminar in Damascus and Amman for three consecutive days from Oct. 8.

tion, Dr. Osama Al Azab, said the seminar will evaluate the work of the joint Jordanian-Syrian committees. Tha two associations will also suggest ways to strengthen the

The Secretary General of the process of integration.

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Carter presses on in Mid-East chess

By Roy Gutman

WASHINGTON, Aug. 17 (R). The Carter administration appears determined to press on with its Middle East initiative despite the meager results of a just ended peace mis-sion by Secretary of State Cyrus Vance.

Some reports have called the trip a failure and the Washington Post was so gloomy as to suggest that conditions now existed to produce a fifth Middle

But President Carter has not been discouraged. He has since pledged to do all that is possible to bring ebout a peace set-tlement and said be still hoped the Geneva conference could be reconvened later this year.

He has again tied his personel prestige to the mediation effort by announcing be will meet foreign ministers of Israel and the Arab states in Washington at the end of Septem-

Mr. Carter's position is part of an effort to bring the full weight of American influence to bear on all parties. It rests on the premise that the best opportunity for progress to-wards peace now exists after 30 years of war and that all parties genuinely want peace. Three elements of the Carter strategy have already emerg-

-- Intensified diplomacy to force the parties to think in terms of specific solutions;

-- Elaborations, although some would say they are shifts, of American policy aimed at opening a dialogue with the Palestine Liberation Organisation (PLO) and eventuatly establishing a Palestinian sta-

- An effort to sway American public opinion, which is the ultimate and possibly most difficult step.

The problems, as revealed by Mr. Vance's 11-day Middle East tour of six countries are considerable. All parties accept United Na-

tions resolution 242 as the basis for settlement. This calls in effect for Israell withdrawal from occupied territories in exchange for Arab recognition of Israel's right to exist within secure borders.

But Israel is unwilling to consider giving up the West Bank of the Jordan River, oc-cupled during the June 1967 War, or the establishment the-

of a Palestinian state. Israel's rightwing govern-ment under Prime Minister Menachem Begin also is unwilling to contemplate Geneva talks with the PLO under any circumstances, even if it recog-nised Israel's right to exist.

Israell leaders insist they have oo pre-conditions for peace talks, but Mr. Vance was told that PLO participation is non-negotiable.

"This is an apparent con-tradiction," a senior official on the Vance plane told reporters. U.S. officials say that, the PLO question aside, Foreign Minister Moshe Davan has Minister Moshe Dayan has said that Israel's stands on all issues were "forward positions" and would be subject to

The Israelis have indicated willingness to withdraw substantially from the two major fronts other than the West Bank -- the Egyptian Sinai desert and the Syrian Golan He-

On the Arab side, Egypt, Jordan and, to a lesser extent, Syria indicated willingness to open full relations with Israel as part of a peace settlement -- a move away from their previous insistence that all they were prepared to do would be to end the state of bil-

between the parties during his talks in the Arab countries but oot in Israel. The oub of the problem se-

ems to be Israel's attitude on the West Bank and a Palestin-ian homeland, on which its views and those of Mr. Carter clearly differ.

Reporters travelling with

Mr. Vance were struck by the

strong support Mr. Begin- se-ems to have rallied behind him. Aware of this ,the thrust of the Carter administration's dip-lomacy has been to employ friendly persuasioo rather than any threat to cut economic or military aid to Israel.

This prompted Mr. Vance to The latest example of the say he had narrowed the gap low-key Americao approach The latest example of the

(A) The first group argues that the danger is not present

because socialist property me-

ans the suppression of classes.

The principle of "no work no food" means the transformation of landlords into workers

and the exposure of "idlers and

hoodlums", and finally that in-

dividual income cannot be tur-

(B) Others believe such a sy-

stem would inevitably encour-

age the pursuit of personal in-

terest and that some people would try to "enrich them-

selves by any means. In such

conditions they would become

(C) A third argument arriv-

bourgeois elements".

ned into capital.

refusal to comment on Mr. Be gin's decision to expand social services oo the West Bank the from his mission. Israel's op-position however, charged that the step could lead to annex-

ation.
In timing, the move recalled
Mr. Begin's action to legalise three West Bank settlements after his July talks in Wash-

ington, a move that drew a strong U.S. protest.
Rather than confrontation, most diplomatic energies have been expeoded on getting the parties to define their positions precisely and making each other familiar with them. It began with Mr. Vance's

first fact-finding tour of the area last February, after which each leader met President Car-

On this latest tour Mr. Vance carried American proposals on the principal contentious questions.

Aside from increased diplomatic contacts, the next important stee will be Mr. Carter's meetings here with the foreign ministers. Theo Mr. Vance will hold intensive talks lasting about two weeks with the ministers during the Uoited Na-tions General Assembly sessioo in New York.

The problems are still secret but appear to support estab-lishment of a Palestinian West Bank state, an important move towards the Arab positioo. A second step towards the

Arab position was seen in U.S. overtures to the PLO during Mr. Vance's trip.
The PLO has always oppos-

ed U.N. resolution 242 because it refera only to refugees and makes no mention of Palestinian rights. Mr. Carter said that if the PLO accepted resolution 242 with a reservation on this point this would be acceptable to the United States.

The Carter administration is preparing to try to sway the Israelis by encouraging a slow shift in American public opinion. One way has been to outline in public the main elements in a settlement, including a Palestinian homeland.

A secood is to sit back and allow news reports on the peace mission to have a cumulative effect. Without any official encoura

gement, the Vance mission led to many reports which said Israeli intransigence was to blame for a lack of progress.

Third Circle Phantasmic By Omar Jawad

Heaven on earth

I have tried to put this off for as long as I could, but there comes a time in every per-son's life when he or she has to face up to the great dilemmas and the awesome problems of this world. So, mustering all my strength and the fortitude which the Lord has given me, this week I shall explain to you how the traf-fic system in Amman works. I do not bring up this subject lightly, but I do not think that I can keep putting it off forever.

The epitome of traffic cooditions in Am-

man is, of course, the Third Circle at Jabal Amman. There are several explanations for why the traffic circle is always so congested, and the one I like the best is as follows. You see, there is a north-south division in the Arab World, with the northern countries such as Lebanon, Syria, Jordan, Palestine and Egypt not as well endowed materially and financially as the southern states such as Saudi Arabia, Kuwait and the rest. When the rich southerners come up to the cool northern Arab countries in the summer, driving their big cars, there is little that the northerners can do in the face of the onslaught. It would be impolite -- and certainly against the dictates of Arab Unity -to close the border to rich and rotund southernera driving large American cars. So what is the answer? The answer, it seems, is to immobilise the cars and neutralise the financial ostentatiousness of the southernera. This means that the big cars are encouraged to drive up to the Third Circle (they're enticed there by the collection of shawarma shops that strategically ring the Third Circle) and once there

vels of traffic chaos ever attained in Lebanon. I know for a fact that there have been suggestions to bold meetings of the Arab League Council to discuss the matter (agenda item: What is the use of shawarma stands if one cannot drive to them?) but the matter is thought to be so sensitive that, like the Lebanese war, it is the consensus of the Arab states to avoid

their cars are caught in a phantasmagorical

traffic jam that compares with the highest le-

the matter for as long as possible. The other major item in the Amman traffic picture that fascinates me is why drivers only use their left signal lights. I have pondered this mightily, as mightily even as I ponder peace in the Holy Land, and I have come up with the answer. Drivers here only use their left signal lights because this is the only way they can express their pent-up leftist inclinations. indeed, the fact that everybody uses bis or her left signal whether they are turning left or right, or stopping, or slowing down, or weaving in and out of lanes, is of deep coocern to the government because it is a reflection of widespread leftist tendencies that are supressed and potentially explosive.

The only other outlet for these feelings is through the car horn. So if you see a car blasting its horn and signalling left, you know that driver is a potential troublemaker, and should be reported to the nearest police car. If the police car is also signalling left, then either my explanation does not make sense, or we are all in deep trouble.

The third item in the traffic picture that I would like to discuss is the fact that Amman's streets are always full of broken glass. This has been more difficult to figure out, but I believe I have also come up with an explanation for the phenomenon.

You see, it is a central part of all the world's great religions that after death the faithful people will have a pleasant life in paradise whose streets are lined with gold. With Jordan's tremendous drive for development, there are some people who think that we cannot wait until we reach paradise, and the next best thing is to have a life on earth where the streets are lined with glass.

This serves two purposes. It always keeps us thinking of our deep religious exhortations about living lives of morality, and it makes us drive elements. drive alower for fear of having four car tires simultaneously blown out. Some people think this joining of church and state is a bit much. but it is so widespread that It is too late to do anything about it now.

In fact, the idea has caught on so well with the population bere that most drivers feel it is their moral duty to help pave the streets with glass, and so, in e frenzy of left-hand signalling and horn-blowing, every driver now takes it upon himself or herself to smasb a headlight once a month.

The last point that I have pondered mightily is why the road that goes to the sports city and the university is grooved, and why the grooving process was so preciptiously carried out.

I have figured out that this is a safety mesure, with multi-purposes at that. For one, the extra large grooves catch the excess glass that paves the streets of Amman. For another, drivers entering Amman for the first time from the north will be warned by being bounced around on the grooved road that there is glass up ahead. And in the winter months when it rains, the grooves will provide better traction for cars and donkeys.

I think that with these explanations, you will all be much more aware of what is happening around you as you drive through Amman. If it all gets to be too much to take, my suggestion is to walk -- walk, not drive -- to the Third Circle, buy a shawarma sandwich, sit on the steps of the Information Mioistry, and take in the light-and-sound extravaganza much as you would a cartoon.

Do Mao and material incentives mix?

PEKING (AFP). — A dehate is now raging in China on whether or not to adopt a policy of material incentives and bonuses to accelerate the country's economic development.

This policy, which has always been supported by Vice Premier Teng Hsiao-ping, was coodemned at the beginning of the cultural revolution in 1966 and has been banned ever

The Peking daily Kwang Ming published for the first time the different viewpoints following "discussions in national economic circles on distribution according to work."

The debate will probably remain open until the convening of a national conference on employment and salaries announced two mooths ago. Observers believed it is due to be held the first half of next year.

ent opinions on this subject ranging from condemnation to a veiled defence of a bonus policy, but the article did not draw any conclusions.

The author reviewed differ-

arguments put forward by Kwang Ming: 1 — Three viewpoints on the difference between distri-

bution according to work and

material incentives

Following are the various

(A) Those who argue that the two policies are contradictory believed that one should put "policy in charge" instead of "money in charge" (material incentives). The latter would be placing the individual interests ebove those of the state and the collective. On the other hand the correct use of distribution according to work would at the same time oppose egalitarianism and 'bourgeois rights".

(B) The theory that distribution according to work and a system of benefits bave something in commoo points out that the fruits of labour are monetary but the difference lies in the ways of obtaining it. It would be best to follow Mao's line and restrict "bourgeois rights", or else the Chinese would "slip into the mire of material incentives."

ught says it would be hard to make a distinction between the two systems since they both affect the interests of the individual. Individual material interests should be considered on the condition that the state still owns the means of production. The individual's material interests should not be taken as the prime moving force.

- Three theories on whether distribution according to work will create "bourgeois

ed at the same conclusion, saying that some people will use the increased income to exploit the people by setting "underground factories" some other form of specula-(C) The third school of thotion or usury. This type of debate on material incentives would have been

elements".

unthinkable a year ago before the "gang of four" radical leaders were purged last Octo-The article came close on the heels of the rehabilitation of Vice Premier Teng Hsiao-

ping and at a time when Chi-

na's policy is focussed oo the

country's economic develop-

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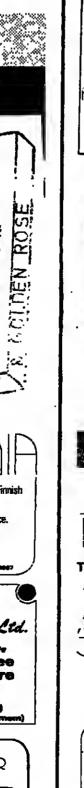


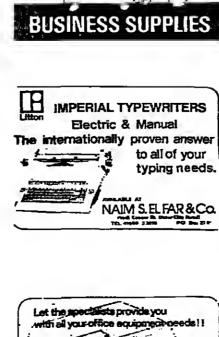
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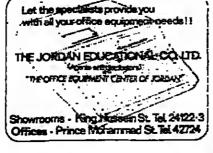
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Japan's visible trade surplus hits record

TOKYO, Aug. 17 (R). — Japan's booming export drive reached new heights today with government announcement of a record monthly visible trade surplus of \$2,050 million for

The preliminary figure from the Finance Ministry showed a sharp increase from a \$1,480 million surplus in June and a \$1,010 million surplus in July

last year. It will almost certainly draw increased foreign criticism of Japan's export drive and cause serious problems for Prime Minister Takeo Fukuda's cabi-

Japan had a \$940 million preliminary overall balance of payments surplus in July, compared with \$699 million in June, the ministry also said today.

The figures were released one day after Japan announced a record monthly customs cleareance trade surplus of \$1,510 million for July, which was nearly double a \$826 million surplus in June.

The customs clearance import figures includes invisibles, such as shipping and insur-ance, unlike the balance of payments statistics.

According to today's figures,

Israeli pound is devalued second time this month

TEL AVIV, Aug. 17 (R). — The Israeli pound slid below the 10-to-the-dollar rate today in one more step on the path of cre-

eping devaluation.

The Bank of Israel fixed the dollar at 10.1177 following last night's amountement of a devaluation amounting to slightly less than two per cent. Yesterday's dollar rate was 9.9397. It was the second devaluation this month and reflected the official policy of powering israel's exchange rate systematically in line with rising prices, thereby maintaining export profi-

The devaluation was measured against a basket of major international currencies. Against this index, the Israeli pound was brought down from 10.17 to 10.37.

Passing the 10-1 mark against the dollar was considered something of a landmark for the Israeli currency. When the state was created in 1948, the Israeli pound was worth more than the dollar.

Other exchange rates in today's fixing included: 17.5870 to the pound sterling, 4.3513 to the West German mark and 4.1592 to the Swiss franc.

ACP countries receive EEC grants

and the sun greater than those of any previous mission are ab-

out to be launched from the Kennedy Space Centre, Florida, U.S.A. for an extensive reconnaissance of the outer planets.

Their journey, which could take up to ten years, will take them

Television pictures and data they will feed back to earth could

to Saturn.

to Jupiter and Saturn, and their satellites, and possibly Uranus

shed new light on the early history of the solar system.

BRUSSELS, Aug. 17 (R). — The Common Market Commission today announced grants totalling 7.98 million Europe-an Units of Account (EUA) (\$8.78 million) to ACP (African, Caribbean and Pacific) countries linked with the EEC through the Lome Convention.

The newly-independent Republic of Djibouti is to receive three grants worth 1.03 million EUA's (\$1.13 million) for projects including rural

By Geoffrey Lindop

LONDON (Gemini) - The

United States is to launch

man'a deepest-yet probe into

Two unmanned spacecraft.

prosaically named Voyager 1

and Voyager 2 are about to

blast off from Kennedy Space

Centre, Florida, on a ten-year-

long journey that could take

them to as many as 15 celes-

tial bodies, including the gi-ants Jupiter and ringed Sat-

urn, several satellites of both

planets, and possibly Uranus.

stream of measurements will

be fed back to earth which could shed new light on the

region and early history of the

solar system and our own pla-

The first Voyager is expec-

Voyager 2 will be launched

its companion twelve

ted to leave about Aug 20

first, but Voyager I, flying a

faster trajectory than its sis-ter, will reach Jupiter in March 1979, four months ahead

At Jupiter the gravity-as-

sist technique -- using a pla-net's gravitational field to spe-

ed up a spacecraft and chan-

days later, about Sept. 1.

of Voyager 2.

net.

Television pictures and a

well drilling, urban drainage, and training schemes for offi-cials and planning experts.

In the Caribbean, the Do-minican Republic and St. Vincent will beoefit by a total of 3.88 millioo EUA's (\$4.27 million) divided almost equally, for road improvement schemes, while the Pacific Kingdom

of Tonga has been granted ex-

ceptional aid of 200,000 EUA's

(\$220,000) to belp with recon-

ge its trajectory -- will be used to send the Voyagers on

With this "slingsbot" boost Voyager 1 will approach Sat-

urn in the late summer of 1980, 3.2 years after launch.

Without the help of Jupiter's

gravity the journey from earth

would take 6.1 years. It will have travelled 2.2 billion kms.

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cecraft will cootinue outward

from the solar system and pe-

netrate into interstellar space.

the largest ever space-borne

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tures and data back to earth.

The dishes will be twelve foot

in diameter and weigh one hu-

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levision cameras will provide

pictures of it and Saturn of greater resolution than any ta-

ken before. The cameras sho-

uld also take the first high

resolution, close-up pictures of the Gailean satellites of Jupi-ter, the major satellites of

Jupiter and Saturn are the

two largest planets in the so-lar system, Jupiter having an equatorial diameter of 88,700

Saturn and Saturn'a rings.

The Voyagers will study Ju-

ndred pounds.

Each spacecraft will carry

After completing their pla-

News Focus

Voyager space probes to Jupiter, Saturn could

shed new light on the solar system's history

Two spacecraft designed to operate at distances from earth ger than Earth's - and Sat- Two factors influences.

exports rose 23 per cent from a year before to \$7,100 million. while imports rose only five per ceot to \$5,050 million.

The surplus for July was offset partially by a \$520 million deficit on invisible trade, compared with a revised \$623 million in June.

Japan always points to its habitual invisible trade deficit when arguing against large export curbs.

Mr. Fukuda's cabinet has made reduction of the massive trade surplus a major priority. Government leaders have warbusinessmeo repeatedly that they faced possible international isolatioo if their export drives were not curbed.

Government sources believe Mr. Fukuda will announce soon a large supplementary budget and other economy stimulating measures which wo-uld spur domestic demand and

Meeting begins on stabilising copper market

GENEVA, Aug. 17 (R). — Government experts from some 50 countries yesterday began a four-day meeting here to prepare feasibility studies of the costs, benefits and finan-cial implications of possible schemes to stabilise the vola-

tile world copper market.

The aim of the study, expected to last several months, is to ascertain possible econo-mic features of an international accord to regulate world copper prices and supplies.

The results of the study are to be submitted to representatives of the world's leading copper producers and consumers, who have been meeting here at intervals since last October under the auspices of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD) to discuss possibinternational stabilisation

hydrogen -- with no apparent

Jupiter's volume is 1,300

times that of the earth's but

its mass is only 300 times. Its average density is very

much lower than our own pl-

anet being 1.3 times that of

water as compared with that

The disc we see in our te-

lescopes is actually the 40 mile thick atmosphere. The

highest clouds of this are co-

mposed of ammonia at a te-

mperature of 120 degrees Ce-

ntigrade below freezing, then

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highest clouds are clouds of

water, or ice, at temperatures

between -45 degrees C. and 100 degrees C. and pressures ten times that of atmospheric

Beneath the atmosphere on

earth we have the ground, but

this is not so on Jupiter. In

eper atmosphere, some 600

miles thick, resting on a liq-

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of the sun -- and is respon-sible for constantly heating

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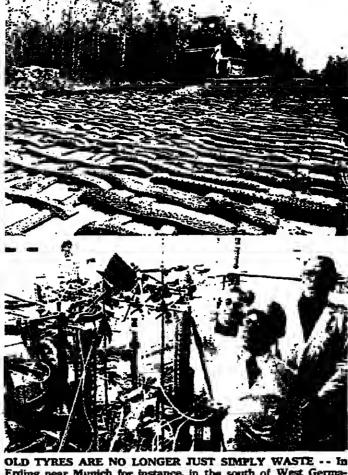
pressure on earth.

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About 20 miles below the

of the earth of 5.5. times,

solid surface.



OLD TYRES ARE NO LONGER JUST SIMPLY WASTE -- In Erding near Munich for instance, in the south of West Germany, ripped open, old car tyres are being used experimentally for road beds (upper photo), whilst in Hamburg, work is being carried out on how to recycle raw materials from old tyres and plastic waste. In the institute for Applied and Inorganic Chemistry of the University of Hamburg, the so-called pyrolysis method has emerged from a series of laboratory tests carried out under the direction of Professor Hansjörg Sinn. In the technical department (lower picture), high quality raw materials have already been recycled by means of the pyrolysis method from old car tyres and plastic material which is normally difficult to decompose. As a result of Professor Sinn's research work, a Hamburg company has agreed to take over the dispo-sal of old tyres throughout the greater Hamburg area. Resear-ch work for recycling raw materials is also supported by the Ministry for Research and Technology in Bonn in order to -as the Ministry's promotion pamphlet states -- "to ensure the existence of important natural treasures in the longer term and to reduce independence upon imports". (photo by A.P.)

Cambodia rebuilds war-torn economy

BANGKOK (AFP). - Cambodia has repaired railways, roads and bridges destroyed in

the war and reopened more than 50 factories, according to

Two factors influence the

at from the liquid core, which

is the same quantity at the

poles as at the equator, Se-

condly, the heat from the sun

which is greater at the equ-

only 3 degrees which makes

very little seasonal variations

throughout its year of 12 ear-

th-years. The Pioneer probe

showed that there is hardly

any movement of air, or heat,

from equator to poles. All

these factors make the jovian

On Jupiter, the cyclones

bave long since amalgamated into linear structures, giving

rise to the distinctive colour-

ed belts of cloud stretching

latitudinally across the planet.

piter does not have cyclones as well. The largest of them

-- the Great Red Spot -- is three times larger than the

earth and has been observed

almost constantly since its di-

This giant hurricane, is cap-

ped by a very high cloud, ab-

out five miles higher than nor-

which gives it a red colour.

It baffled scientists for centu-

ries, until Pioneer 10 reveal-

ed its true nature.

jovian clouds, formed

condensing phosphorus

scovery 300 years ago.

That is not to say that Ju-

climate very stable indeed.

Jupiter's axis is inclined at

ator than at the poles.

urn 75,000 miles. Both are gi- jovian climate. Firstly, the he-

recent broadcasts by Radio Phnom Penh. Trade links also have been

say, and trade with Japan to-talled about \$4 million in the

worth \$88 million then. Cooperation offered by

observers commented. Cambodian capital give the

following picture of industry: Rubber output is 20,000 tons. Truck tyres, bicycle tyres and rubber sandals are being made by three factories near Phnom Penh since April, 1976.

The bicycle tyres factory, once belonged to Prince Sirik Matak, reportedly executed in April, 1975.

Six fertiliser factories are running including four that opened this year.

reopened, a paper mill, three soap factories, three vegetable oil refineries, eight pottery or brick works, ten mechanical workshops, three salt marshes,

needs such as farm tools.

established with Hong Kong, Japan and Thailand, though trade with Thailand was interrupted late last year after more than 400 border inci-

Trade with Hong Kong last year and the first quarter of this year amounted to about \$6 million, business experts

These figures are extremely low compared with 1970, a year before the war. Cambo-dia's total foreign trade was

last year should the Khmer Rouge stimulate economy, Radio broadcasts from the

Even textile factories reopened in 1976, and three this

Two sugar refineries have and a cement factory produc-ing 100,000 tons a year. In broadcasts since March

last year, the radio has mentioned 91 districts (out of 140) as having their own forges, carpentary shops, weaving mil-ls and workshops for local

The railways from the caoital to Kompong Som on the Gulf of Siam and to Bangkok were officially reopened, the radio said, but the later is still cut at the Thai border because of frontier disputes.

Spain's **bakers** threaten strike

MADRID, Aug. 17 (R). — Spain's top three bakery officials were arrested yesterday after they cut the size of loaves by a third because the government prohibited a price in-

The arrests came as the go vernment fought to curb inflation which has already led to strikes by hotel, bar and restaurant workers in Spanish holiday resorts packed with tour-

Prices have been creeping up since the peseta was devalued by 20 per cent last month.

Seoor Pedro Castro, President of the National Bakers Association, his two vice presidents and another baker were picked up by police at their homes after widespread protests from housewives against shrinking loaves.

Bakers gathered at their as sociation headquarters to discuss a protest strike but were evicted by riot police.

The Governor of Madrid, Senor Juan Jose Roson, conferred with the regional military commander for soldiers to bake bread in case of a bakers' stri-

In a statement, Senor Roson accused the bakers of "anti-social behaviour" and instructed the public not to pay more for their bread than the price fixed by the government.

Vigilantes from the right-wing Falange Party toured bread shops and reported irregularities to the police.

Holiday resorts along the Costa del Sol in southern Spain and the Costa Brava were struggling back to normal after a one-day pay strike by hotel, bar and restaurant workers.

World Council of Churches announces aid to Lebanon

GENEVA, Aug. 17 (R). — A \$1.6 million appeal to ald Lebanon recover from its civil war was announced yesterday by the Geneva-based World Council of Churches (WCC).

The WCC linking 293 churches of the protestant, orthodox and old catholic faiths, said the money would be used to repair buildings and provide welfare aid, including educa-

Also in Geneva, the United Nations Children's Fund (UN-ICEF) announced 200,000 Swiss francs (about \$83,000) for or-phans in Lebanon.

Norway could suffer large trade deficit

OSLO, Aug. 17 (AFP). — Norway could suffer a \$4,000 million trade deficit this year, and some stern measures will be proposed for the forthcoming autumn budget, Finance Minister Per Kleppe said yes-

One reason for the expected deficit, higher than originally estimated, was loss of some oil revenue mainly due to the "Bravo" platform blowout in the North Sea in April.

Export earnings had also fallen, the minister said, partly due to the postponing of the gas pipeline from Ekofisk to Ernden in West Germany, fol-lowing objections by Denmark regarding the safety of the

U.S. court overturns Concorde ban from New York's Kennedy Airport

NEW YORK, Aug. 17 (R). — A U.S. district judge today overturned the 17-month old ban on the Anglo-French Concorde supersonic airliner using New York's John F. Kennedy Airport, the main gateway to the Eastern United States.

Judge Milton Pollack issued an injunction barring the operators of Kennedy Airport, the Port Authority of New York and New Jersey from "directly or indirectly" interfering with proposed trial landings of the supersonic airliner at the airport.

The ruling, certain to be

marks a victory for Britain and France in their battle to win entry for their \$3 billion aircraft into New York. However, it was not imme diately known when British

Airways and Air France could begin operating Concorde flights to New York. Opponents of the airliner were expected to seek injunctions of their own to prevent flights, pending the outcome of appeals. British Airways and Air Fr-

ance have said that Kennedy Concorde flights are essential if the plane is ever to become profitable.

Iraq, Malaysia meet to promote trade

KUALA LUMPUR, Aug. 17 (R). — The Malaysia-Iraq Jo-int Committee today held its first meeting to discuss ways on promoting economic and technical cooperation, and trade between the two countries.

Opening the meeting, Malay-sian Trade and Industry Minister Datuk Hamzah Abu Samah said it could explore the transfer of Malaysia's rubber technology and Iraqi technical expertise in the oil industry for the benefit of both coun-

Datuk Hamzah said the current third five-year plan emphasised the role of both lo-cal and foreign private invest-ments. "This is an opportunity

Japanese win Algerian textile plant contract

TOKYO, Aug. 17 (R). —
Two Japanese companies, the
Marubeni Corporation and
Fuji Spinning Co. Ltd., have
won an 11 billion yen (\$37 million) contract to export a textile printing and during place tile printing and dyeing plant to Algeria, it was announced here yesterday.

Marubeni said under the joint contract from Societe Na-

tionale des Industries Textiles (SONITEX) the plant would be completed by 1980 and have a capacity to produce 18 million metres of material a year. The plant will be built 200

kms. east of Algiers. Marubeni said the contract would be funded with a loan from Japan's Export-Import Bank, with repayment deferred for seven years.

especially to a rich country like Iraq to invest in Malaysia, he added. Iraqi Trade Minister Hassan Ali said the meeting would help solve some prob-lems relating to trade and eco-nomic cooperation between their countries.

The two-way trade which reached its peak of 136 million ringgit (£2 million) in 1974 fell to 62 million ringgit (£15 million) in 1976, and Datuk Hamzah said the reason for the decline was the world economic recession which affected

Iraq as well as Malaysia.

The Iraqi trade minister suggested that four working committees should be set up to coordinate trade, economics, technical cooperation and petroleum industry.

The two-day meeting follows the trade, economic and technical cooperation agreement sig-ned by Malaysia and Iraq last Feb. 5.

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WALL STREET REPORT

ECONOMIC NEWS BRIEFS

Dubai signs contract for new hospital

DUBAI, Aug. 17 (R). - A \$500 million hospital, the first of its kind in the entire Gulf will be completed in three years, the Minister of Finance and Industry Hamdan Ibn Rashid announced. The minister signed the contract for building the new hospital yesterday. Dr. Jumaa Abul Hol, a hospital official said that the 14-storey hospital will bave 640 beds, two hellcopter landing areas and sophisticated heart surgery equipment to enable heart surgeons perform the most delicate operations.

Egypt, Zambia sign trade agreement

LUSAKA, Aug. 17 (R). - Zambia and Egypt have signed a trade agreement which calls for closer co-operation in economic and technical fields. A spokesman for the ministry of commerce and foreign trade said today that the agreement was signed here yesterday between representatives of the two governments.

Japan's Fukuda concludes talks in Bangkok

BANGKOK, Aug. 17 (AFP). — Japanese Prime Minister Takeo Fukuda left for Manlla today after a two-day official visit. Japan agreed to extend a \$100 million loan to Thailand for its fourth national social and economic development plan and to provide \$8 million in aid for the setting up of a skilled labour development institute in the northeastern province of Khon Khaen.

LONDON MARKET REPORT

Government bonds were firm Wednesday in market speculation of a further reduction in the minimum lending rate and the continuing strength of sterling.

Government bonds closed up to 398 firmer among shorts and around 1/2 to 5/8 higher among long dated stock after slipping back temporarily by 1/8 at mid-session, dealers said.

Trading activity was moderate, dealers added.

Initial gains of up to 14p were pared following profit taking among equities and leading issues were up to 9p lower at the close. Gold shares were narrowly higher in light trading. Canadian stocks lost ground.

Unilever erased a rise of 14p following favourable second quarter results and was 6p higher on balance. Fisons and Giaxo lost 9p and 10p respectively while other industrial issues lost up to 5p where changed. Pye rose 2p against

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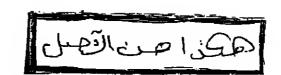
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FORECAST FOR THURSDAY, AUG. 18, 1977

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GENERAL TENDENCIES: A day that's fine for tuning in on other persons and better understanding what they wish or expect from you. Be sure you do nothing that could upset your close ties.

ARIES (Mar. 2I to Apr. 19) Come to a true meeting of minds with associates. A good time to engage civic affairs and gain more prestige in your community.

TAURUS (Apr. 20 to May 20) Make sure you bandle business matters early in the day. Take steps to improve your appearance and make a fine impression on others. GEMINI (May 21 to June 21) Take inventory of your finnncial situation and make plans to improve it. Avoid one who wants to lead you astray.

MOON CHILDREN |June 22 to July 21) Check your surroundings and make plans for improvements. Study every phase of a new plan you have in mind.

LEO (July 22 to Aug. 21) Contact associates and make new plans that are worknble. Obtain the information you need from the right sources.

VIRGO (Aug. 22 to Sept. 22) Listen to what a financial expert has to say about making investments. Don't take risks that would deplete your assets.

LIBRA (Sept. 23 to Oct. 22) Doing what you most desire is wise right now and you can be happy with persons you truly like. Relax at home tonight.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23 to Nov. 21) Investigate whatever you do not understand during spare time and come up

with the right answers. Be logical, SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22 to Dec. 21) Ideal day to be with congenials and express happiness. You can gain a

personal aim now that means much to you. CAPRICORN (Dec. 22 to Jan. 20) Handling outside duties today is wise since the planets are favorable. Show family members that you are devoted to them.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 21 to Feh. 19) Delve into new interests that can hring greater abundance in the future. Making new contacts of worth is wise now.

PISCES (Feh. 20 to Mar. 20) Follow your hunches today since they will lead you in the right direction and bring you benefits. Improve your appearance.

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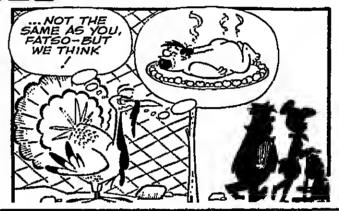
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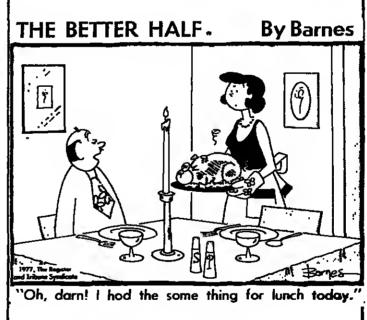












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The bidding: South West North East INT Pass 3NT Pass Pass Pass Pass Opening lead: Four of .

Declarer put maximum pressure on the defense in an attempt to bring home his no trump game, but he was foiled by a spectacular, though well-reasoned, discard by East.

There was nothing to the auction, All North had to do was add 10 to his partner's announced 16 points to realize that game should be bid.

West led his fourth-best spade, East woo the queen and returned the ten. West overtook with the jack and continued the suit as declarer held off until the fourth round of spades. East had to find two discards, and he let go of a card in each red suit. Dummy sbed diamonds.

Declarer cashed the king and ace of clubs, noting the .fall of West's jack. Next he tried three rounds of hearts, ending in dummy, and East had to find another discard. He could not afford to sluff a club, so it would seem that he had to part with another low diamond. However. East looked deeper into the situa-

tion. It seemed certain that .West's distribution had been 5-4-2-2. He realized that, if declarer had started with the king-queen of diamonds, the contract could not be broken. He also worked out that the ace of diamonds was a distinct liability. . If East sluffed a low dia-

mond, declarer would lead a diamond from dummy. Whether East rose with the ace or ool, he would have to concede the contract. If he doesn't take the ace, declarer would win the king and exit with a diamond, lorcing East to lead a club into the jaws of dummy's Q-9. But winning the ace and exiting with a diamond would be no better, for declarer would simply rise with the king and score his remaining diamond whether it was the queen or a low one. So East discarded the ace of diamonds, getting rid of his liability.

That set up the king of diamonds in declarer's hand. but that was only the eighth trick. No matter how declarer tried, there was no way he could prevent the defense from coming to two more tricks before he had

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BIRMINGHAM CLASHES -- Demonstrators burst through a fence at a school in Birmingham, England, on Monday night, as they tried to break up a meeting where Mr. John Tyndall, Chairman of the extreme rightwing National Front Party, was addressing a party rally. Reports said 55 policemen were injured and at least 10 people were arrested when an anti-right-

ist demonstration developed into a clash with police. A police station was besleged, shops

Alabama's "desegregator" judge

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any other person to desegregate Alahama, was not among five candidates recommended to

President Carter earlier this

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Judge Johnson, widely con-

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were looted and passing traffic stoned. (AP wirephoto)

El Dorado discovered?

LIMA, Aug. 17 (R). - Five scientists claim to have discovered

a tribe of primitive Indians who have their own gold mine in

the South American jungle . a possible link to the legend of

The Niawa tribe lives in an unspecified and hitherto unex-

plored area between the borders of Peru, Brazil and Colombia,

according to French surgeon Louis Vanleer, a member of the

scientific team. He told a press conference last week that the

4,000-year-old tribe exploited a rich gold mine, and "their te-

The gold is extracted by about 50 prisoners of the Niawas. "The mine Itself is an intricate underground fortress complete with houses for its workers," Dr. Vanleer added.

Dr. Vanleer said the tribe also extracts precious stones

from the ground. A young Russian anthropologist who attemp-

ted to keep one for himself was killed by the Niawas, the sur-

The French surgeon refused to give the tribe's exact loca-

He said the tribe once had some 50,000 men, women and

The scientists, including an American, a Swiss, a West Ge-

He reported that the Niawas live almost entirely naked and

carry out human sacrifices. They kill young girls and take out

their hearts to placate their many gods, including fire and wa-

rman, and an Italian, approached the tribe in November of last

year after a lengthy period of observation, Dr. Vanleer said.

tion in order to prevent its complete extinction by gold hunt-

children, but its numbers have now dwindled to 2,000.

mples are filled-with gold and precious stones."

geon said. He did not say when this happened.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 17 (R).

President Carter has chosen Federal Judge Francis Johnson whose decisions help-

ed Alabama to enforce civil rights legislation in the 1960s,

as the new Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) Director, administration sources said

If his appointment is con-

firmed by the Senate, Judge

Johnson will succeed Mr. Cla-rence Kelley, who retires at the end of this year. Officials said the White

House would make an announ-

cement late today about the

president's selection, ending a

Official confirms Kappler in Germany

Italy moots asking for extradition of escaped Nazi convict

ROME, Aug. 17 (R). — Italy today considered formal-ly asking West Germany to extradite escaped Nazi war criminal Herbert Kappler.

The government in Bonn is almost certain to refuse, cit-ing Article 16 of the West German Constitution which forblds extradition of any German citizen.

But such a formal request might mollify Italian opinion, incensed at the manner in which the former SS colonel, who has cancer, was spirited away from a Rome military hospital two days ago.

One explanation is that his wife Anneliese smuggled him past guards in a large suit-

Herr Kappler, 70, Hitler's police chief in Rome, was held responsible for a 1944 reprisal massacre of 335 Romans.

In Germany

He is now known to he in Germany, prohably with his wife at an apartment in her hometown of Soltau, while a major row between Italians

NEW YORK, Aug. 17 (R). — Alleged "Son of Sam" killer David Berkowitz pleaded not guilty yesterday to murder and charges of attempted murder -- but bis lawyer reserved the right for his client to change

The lawyer for the former postal clerk accused of being the man who terrorised New York for 13 months reserved Berkowitz's right to plead not guilty by reason of insanity at a later date. Berkowitz, 24, appeared in

an open-neck shirt and blue jeans for the 30-minute bearing in court yesterday. Judge Leonard Yaswein directed that mental tests now be building up.
Lueneburg Public Prosecutor G. Reifenberger, within whose jurisdiction the town of Soltau lies, confirmed in a press conference today that Herr Kappler is in the Luencherg area

but that he won't be jailed. Herr Reifenberg yesterday announced that a police search for Herr Kappler had been called off. He said there was little point in continuing the pursuit, requested hy the Italian police, because West Germany's Constitution forebade the extradition of any German

citizen. He said he believed the issue of a warrant for Herr Kap-pler's arrest would he an un-suitable measure, indicating that the war criminal would

not be detained when he did The prosecutor also said there was no possibility of Herr Kappler serving out the remainder of his Italian sen-tence in a West German jail.

Public outrage

In Rome, a senior Justice Ministry official told Reuter

mal extradition request from the military attorney general, who was in charge of the case. But he added that, if a request was received, the ministry should forward it to West Germany. Other well-informed govern-

ment sources said Italian Prime Minister Giulio Andreotti was likely to make a formal extradition request to satisfy popular demand, even though it was not likely to succeed.
Hand-painted posters demanding extradition were plas-

At the Ardeatine Caves, scene of the 1944 massacre, the President of the Province of Rome, Signor Lamberto Man-cini, supported the demands. Relatives of victims went to

tered on walls in Rome this

a memorial at the caves on the Appian Way, south of Rome. Several said they did not believe Frau Anneliese Kaopler could have carried her husband out of the hospital. Italian newspapers, publishing for the first time since a long holiday weekend, denounced the escape as a scan-

Berkowitz pleads "not guilty" to charges of "Son of Sam" killings

heing conducted on Berkowitz in the maximum security wing of a Brooklyn hospital he continued. A report on his fitness for trial is to be handed

to the court on Aug. 30. The judge also said the case would not be prejudiced by Berkowitz's plea yesterday pending the outcome of the tests. Other indictments against the 24-year-old army veteran are expected to he handed down later this week in the New York Boroughs of the Bronx

Berkowitz's not guilty plea was entered by his lawyer, Mr. Mark Heller. The youth only spoke his name in court. Much of the hearing was taken up with discussion involving a controversy over which lawyers are representing Berkowitz.

When asked by the judge who his attorney was, Berko-witz replied: 'Mr. Mark Heller", who was sitting heside

On Berkowitz's other side was Mr. Philip Peltz, who was involved in a controversy over six hour-long tape recordings he is reported to bave made with the accused after Berkowitz was arrested last

Wednesday. Mr. Peltz has applied to withdraw as defence lawyer, and Judge Yasweln said a hearing on this would be held soon.

CIA, not KGB, "kidnapped" Soviet defector-agent, says Moscow journal

An official Soviet weekly today alleged that the U.S. Central Intelligence Agency, not the KGB, was behind the disappearance two years ago of defector and double agent Nicholas Shadrin.

Literary Gazette, which said it had access to KGB intelligence files on the case, said Mr. Shadrin had sought to return to the Soviet Union and was probably seized by the CIA while on his way to a Vienna rendezvous with KGB in December, 1975.

On other details of the case, Literary Gazette supported much of what bas already been written about Mr. Shadrin in the American press -- that he was born Nikolai Artamonov, became captain of a Soviet destroyer, and defected to Sweden in June, 1959.

Later, it said, U.S. intelligence brought him to Washington where he changed bis name

According to Literary Gazette, Mr. Shadrin was made a consultant with the U.S. Defence Intelligence Agency (DIA), where he prepared reports on the state of the Soviet navy and lectured U.S. officers.

But in June, 1966, he contacted a Soviet consular officer in Washington, claimed his conscience was stricken by what be had done, and offered to provide information on the workings of U.S. intelligence,

The Russians did not rule out that Mr. Shadrin was acting as a double agent hut decided to play along. The task of holding regular meetings with him went to Mr. Igor Orlov of the KGB -- a pseudonym, Literary Gazette made

Mr. Arlov said Mr. Shadrin pressed him about an appeal he had asked him to pass on the Supreme Soviet (Parliament), requesting permission to return to the Soviet Union.

tracks," he said.

Elvis Presley: Thousands of fans

MEMPHIS, Tennessee, Aug. 17 (R). — Grieving fans massed in their thousands today to glimpse the hody of Elvis Presley whose death, at the age of 42, robbed a generation of its idol.

Doctors said that Presley, who reigned supreme over the world of popular song for 20 years, had died of heart failure soon after collapsing at his mansion here yesterday after-

Radio stations broke up sch-

eduled programmes to play the records that Presley made into the anthems of the 1950s.

and "Hound Dog" as the weeping fans converged on the closely-guarded Presley mansion bere. A funeral bome said the body of the "King of Rock and Roll" would lie in state there for two hours today.

Fans mounted an all-night vigil at the gates of the mansion, bought with Presley's first

They played "Heartbreak Hotel" and "Jailhouse Rock" world sound of the mid-cen-

> ginal. Anyone who came after him was a copy," said Sammy Davis Junior in Las Vegas.

eer was launched at the same time as Presiey's, said: 'There is no way to measure the impact that he made on society, or the void he leaves

"A lot of us wondered, including Elvis, what an old Elvis would be like," said Mr.

"Now of course there will never be an old Elvis. There only will always be the King and nobody can take that

British singer Tom Jones, a close friend of Presley, said: Elvis influenced me as he did a lot of singers. . . because his sound and style were so

His road manager, Joe Esposito, found him unconscious at his home yesterday. Ambulancemen tried to revive him on the way to Baptist Hospital in Memphis, where doctors pronounced him dead an hour

He said the discovery could explain the story of El Dorado, which set countless Spanish adventurers on the road to South America four centuries ago in search of a legendary city of

To come hack to the bomeland, in Artamonov's words, was his dream. He understood that he would be dead if the Americans found out about it." he said.

The KGB agent said be promised to do all he could and arranged that they should meet again two days later. But Mr.

Shadrin failed to show up. "It's possible that Artamonov made some kind of tragic error after Dec. 18, and that the CIA, learning of his imminent return home... hurried to remove Artamonov, and hlamed the other side to hide Its

Dr. Vanleer said the team stumbled across the tribe hy accident while building a hospital on the Peru-Brazil border.

mourn the idol of a generation

In the last few years Presley, a non-smoker and a teetotaler suffered from serious overweight.

On his birthday two years ago, he was so worried about being "fat and 40" that he cancelled concerts and locked himself away for a strict threeweek diet, associates recalled.

He had been in and out of hospital in recent years, with illnesses ranging from intestinal hlockage to a liver ail-

The doctor who performed a post mortem, Medical Examiner Dr. Jerry Francisco, said preliminary examination showed he died of cardiac arrhythmia, or abnormal heart beat, due to undetermined Causes.

"It is possible in cases like these that the specific cause will never be known," Dr. Francisco said.

A hospital statement said the autopsy indicated Presley had a history of mild hypertension and there was evidence of some coronary disease but the specific cause might not be known for a week, pending laboratory tests.

A spokesman for the family said a private funeral service would be held at the mansion on Thursday. Burial will follow in a mausoleum at the Forest Hills Cemetary here where his mother, who also died at 42, is interred.

Presley is survived by his father Vernon, grandmother Minnie Presley, three step-brothers, his former wife Priscilla and daughter Lisa Marie, aged nine.

Dr. Francisco said after the post mortem that there was no evidence of drug abuse.

Personal physician, Dr. George Nichopoulos, said he too was unaware of any drug abuse but Presiey had been asking prescribed medication for hypertension and colon prob-

hy storm in the mid 1950s not only with his voice -- but also with his style.

His heavy good looks -- sle-epy eyes, sideburns and slickedback hair -- made teenage girl fans swoon and shrick, and his gyrating hips quickly won him the nickname "Elvis the Pelvis".

ents soon had mothers warning their daughters not to watch and television cameramen were ordered to photograph him from the waist up.

by a string of films -- with little plot but lots of his singing -- and every record was a guaranteed hit.

ing stars. He had 25 Golden

It was Judge Johnson who in 1975 ordered Alahama officials not to accept any new prisoners until conditions of over-

in the state's prison system.

is Carter's choice for FBI head era. His rulings were often greeted with hostility from the Klu Klux Klan which, at one stage, burned a cross on bis

front lawn. crowding had been alleviated The judge, a personal friend of Attorney General Griffen Bell, is the chief judge of the U.S. District Court in Mon-

both the rightwing National Front and the leftwing Socialist Workers Party, have put up candidates. The street clashes stemmed partly from the ultra-patriotic National Front's campaign for the repatriation of non-white

BIRMINGHAM, England, Aug. 17 (R). — Street clashes here on Monday, and similar violence in London on Saturday.

have overshadowed by-clec-

tions here tomorrow for which

In the Ladywood Constitu-ency, an impoverished area of decaying houses and high rise flats near the centre of this industrial city, at least 40 per cent of the 36,000 voters have West Indian or Asian backgrounds.

Here the National Front se-eks support from disillusioned whites at a time of high unemployment.

The street battle on Monday, over attempts to stop a National Front meeting, left 55 policemen injured, set hack moves towards racial harmony

and was condemned by Bri-tain's main parties. It also made it unlikely that the election, contested by 10 candidates, would be a straightforward test of public confidence in government predic-tions of hetter times ahead. The sent was left vacant as an indirect result of the appointment of Mr. Peter lay, Prime Minister James Callaghan's son-in-law, as ambass. dor to Washington.

Recent clashes expected

to overshadow today's

Birmingham by-election

Mr. Brian Walden, who held the seat for the ruling Labour-Party, left parliamentary poltics to become Mr. Jay's me-cessor as presenter of a tele-

vision programme.

Before the street battles Mr.

John Sever, a local travel E. ecutive, was expected to a-Party which commands a majority in parliament through an uneasy alliance with the Liberal Party. But after the clashes the 9.739 majority Labour inher-

ted could be at risk from voters who were sickened by what they saw.

Neither the National Front nor the Socialist Werkers Par. ty has ever won a seat in

parliament. The National Front candidate at Ladywood is Mr. Anthony Reed-Herbert, a solicitor who was once chairman of a Young Conservatives association. Mr. Kim Gordon, who played a prominent role in the protests against the National Front in south London, represents the Socialist Workers

Ladywood results are not expected before midnight tomor-

Probe of alleged Tunisian torture results in contradictory findings

TUNIS, Aug. 17 (Agencies).

— A Tunisian human rights organisation investigating allegations of police torture said vesterday it has not been able to establish the truth of the claims but the attitude of the authorities was grounds for legitimate suspicion.

The Tunisian League for the Defence of the Rigits of Man, in a report published yesterday and signed by its President, Prof. Saadeddine Zmerli, protested against the "refusals and silence" it had met when looking into complaints of torture and cruelty from wives of 11 men on trial before the State Security Court.

The report said that the commission had encountered difficulties with public authoritles in its Inquiry, and while it has not been able to establish with certainty the veracity of the complaint.... it cannot dismiss with the same certainty the use of violence and torture during detention.

"Nevertheless, the attitude of the public authorities in this matter allows a legitimate suspicion to remain," it said.

The league bad been asked by the wives to probe a complaint in connection with the two-month-old trial of former Economics Minister Ahmad Ben Salah and 32 members of the People's Unity Movement (MUP). Six of the defendants, including Mr. Ben Salah, are being tried in absentia.

The 32 defendants are charged with a wide range of offences, including jeopardising state security, in connection new political party in Tunisia, a one party state. League President Prof. Zme-

with an attempt to set up a rli set up an inquiry commis-

Discs -- awarded for one mil-

lion sales -- compared with 14 for the Beatles. He died with his latest re-

cord, "Moody Blue", high in the charts.

Presley's life-style was a le-gend. He even had his own

his Las Vegas home, he once said: "Sometimes when I go into a room there and see all those Gold Discs hanging on the wall, I think they must belong to another person. I just can't believe it's me."

road to stardom by buying him a gultar for his 12th hirthday and the first records he ever recorded were paid out of his own pocket -- as a gift for his mother Gladys.

Presley had a deeply religious family background and in his early days as a singer he concentrated on Hillbilly music, Negro blues and Gospel songs.

At one time his records were banned by white-owned stations in the deep South because the owners believed Presley was black.

Then a wily promoter named Col. Tom Parker took over his career, guiding Presley from "the Hillibilly Cat" to a multimillionaire.

sion on May 20 and in its report the committee said it had failed to receive authorisation tu visit the detainees. A letter sent to the president

of the State Sccurity Court had gone unanswered and the league's inquiry committee had, therefore, been unable to carry work in 'Several of the accused had told the court during question-ing that they had been the victims of violence, brutality, torture and moral and material pressures of which they still bore the marks," the report

One defendant, Mr. Tahar Kacem, had requested the court to order he should receive

treatment for an ear injury he had suffered while another of the accused, Mr. Tiana Harcha, had told the court that there was "a torture laboratory" installed in the Ministry of the

Interior. Lacking direct access to the prisoners, the league said, it had consulted the lawyers involved in the case and they had confirmed the court statement about brutality and tor-

However, a doctor involved had said that "during the exercise of his job he had never seen any marks of hrutality or torture." and added that the detainees received "the best possible" treatment.

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Police accuse Gandhi aides of corruption

NEW DELHI, Aug. 17 (R). - Police yesterday accused 10 supporters and close aides of ex-Premier Mrs. Indira Gandhi of misusing their positions to collect funds for her Congress Party and then siphoning the money to fictitious companies. No formal charges were laid. The allegations were made in an initial police report presented in court. Eight of the 10, who were all arrested on Monday under the Prevention of Corruption Act, applied yesterday for bail and Delhi's Chief Magistrate, Mr. Mohammed Shamim, is to decide later whether to grant the applications. Among those arrested were Mr. Rajinder Kumar Dhawan, Mrs. Gandhi's private secretary and Mr. Yashpal Kapoor, a member of parliament, who ran Mrs. Gandhi's election campaign in 1971.

Soweto black leader jailed for 25 years

JOHANNESBURG, Aug. 17 (R). — Mr. Paul Langa, a 28-year-old hlack man said to have led a "suicide squad" of Soweto students, was jailed for 25 years here today for "terrorist" activities. He was also sentenced to five years jail, to run concurrently, for attempted murder. The court was told that Mr. Langa was chairman of a sub-committee of the Soweto Students Representative Council which was known as the suicide squad. He was convicted of being involved in explosions at a police station, the Pelican nightcluh and a house, all in Soweto, between August last year and Dec. 31, following the outbreak of violent black unrest in the township. He was also found guilty of possessing explosives during the same period. No one was killed or seriously injured in any of the explosions. Mr. Langa had pleaded not guilty.

Baader-Meinhof detainee "close to death"

STUTTGART, West Germany, Aug. 17 (R). — One of the jailed leaders of the Baader-Meinhof urban guerrilla group on hunger strike bere was today transferred to an intensive care unit at a hospital. State Justice Ministry officials said doctors transferred Frau Gudrun Ennslin after examining her and five other Beader-Meinhof prisoners on hunger strike for nine days at the maximum security Stammheim Prison. Frau Ensalin's lawyer, Herr Otto Schily, said hospital officials had been unable to tell him today whether the life of Gudrun Ensslin could be saved or not." He interpreted this as confirmation of a statement by defence lawyers yesterday that Frau Ensslin was "close to death", and that a Justice Ministry denial of this was a "deception".

Shabe invasion cost Zaire 219 soldiers

KINSHASA, Aug. 17 (R). — Zaire lost 219 soldiers during its bat tle with rebel forces in the province of Shaba (formerly Katanga) earlier this year, the official news agency AZAP reported today. Quoting President Mobutu Sese Seko, the agency did not say how many of those killed were officiers. They died between March 8 and May 26 in fighting with the rebels whom Zaire said had been trained by Cuban and Soviet experts in neighbouring Angola. All three countries have denied the charge.

Emperor Bokassa the First vs. the press

NEW YORK, Aug. 17 (AFP). - Emperor Bokassa First of the Central African Empire struck and injured an English journalist working for the Associated Press news agency before the newsman was taken, tied hand and foot, to prison, the newsman Michael Goldsmith reported here last night, Mr. Goldsmith was in prison July 14 to Aug. 14. He said that after his arrest in Gangul, the cepital has manufactured by the cepital has manufactured by the cepital has manufactured. the capital, he was taken before the emperor who, without questioning him, beat him on the foreless. He fainted after being hit by other Cenral African Empire officials, and complained that for several days he lacked both food and medical attention while

Turkish-Cypriot girl helped by Makarios' heart-lung machine

NICOSIA, Aug. 17 (R). - A 16-year-old Turkish-Cypriot girl, critically ill after swallowing insecticide, has been rushed by United Nations amhulance to the island's Greek sector for treatment by the late Archbishop Makarios' doctor. The girl, Fikriye Mehmet from Famagusta, is lying unconscinus in Nicosia General Hospital this morning in the same heart-lung machine used by Archbishop Makarios sbortly before his death on Aug. 2. A heart specialist, Dr. Vatche Kalbian, who treated the archbishop in the last few months of his life, has taken personal charge of the case, hospital sources said. U.N. sources said the girl was taken to hospital in Turkish-occupied Famagusta yesterday afternoon after she had swallowed the poison. Her heart and lungs, which had stopped functioning, were restarted by Turkish-Cypriot doctors, who then asked the U.N. to arrange transport to the Greek sector of Nicosia. The U.N. contacted the head of the Cypriot government's Humanitarian Service, Mr. Andreas Matsoukaris, who arranged for the girl to be admitted to Nicosia General Hospital.

Tribute poured in from around the world for the poor cotton tanner's son, with the electric guitar and the gyrating hips, who transformed raw, rustic Rock and Roll into the

"He was a one and only ori-

Singer Pat Boone, whose car-

away from him now."

Presley took show business

But his sexy stage movem-

Presley mania was fuelled

Despite being temporarily eclipsed by the Beatles in the 1960s, Presley easily topped the list of best-selling record-

food taster as well as bodymards and six chauffeurs. He liked to give friends a Cadil-lac as a present. Talking of the Gold Discs in

His parents set him on the